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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

**SUBJECT: Notes on USIB Discussion of Release of Information on
High Altitude Tests, 21 February 1962**

1. All concurred on desirability from intelligence point of view of limiting announcement to simple fact that Soviets conducted effects tests at very high altitudes.

2. If it becomes necessary for other reasons to expand on this in order to avoid the impression that the Soviets had tested a complete AICBM system, then the following points of view were expressed:

a. (All members except Navy, AF, and JCS)

Reference should be made to weapon delivery to high altitudes by medium range surface-to-surface missiles and at the same time state that this was detected by U.S. radars in order to avoid compromise of other sensitive sources.

b. (Navy, AF, and JCS)

No reference should be made to U.S. radars in the initial announcement, but this should be available as a response in answer to any query.

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